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## LEA ACCORDED BIG OVATION

Candidate for Congress Addressed  
Enthusiastic Audience Monday  
Night

Clarence Lea is plainly a great favorite in the race for Congress and he drew out a large and enthusiastic crowd Monday night to hear his straightforward talk on what he hoped to accomplish in Washington under Democratic regime. Mr. Lea praised President Wilson highly and laid forceful stress on the peace policy of the Democrats and on their humanitarian measures in general. He deprecated the attempt to maintain party lines and declared if entrusted with the affairs of the people of this congressional district he would be actuated by the interests of the entire people rather than to any platform pledge whether it be tariff or any thing else. He recounted the service he had rendered in his position as district attorney and said he wished only to broaden his field of service and to merit the confidence which he knew would be reposed in him should he be sent to Washington by the friends and supporters of the various counties comprising the first district. Mr. Lea said he valued this friendship and confidence beyond anything in life and he wanted it to endure beyond the day of election.

With candidate Lea was Wallace Ware, a brilliant young orator whose forceful endorsement of Lea's candidacy was loudly applauded. He traced the district attorney's career from the self made start to the brilliant culmination as public prosecutor of Sonoma County where his record has been a most enviable one. After the meeting which was presided over by J. B. Small and F. T. Duhring, Mr. Lea was besieged with congratulations and good wishes.

## "SAVE TREES" IS THEIR PLEA

Armstrong Grove Boosters Create  
Fine Impression Here Tuesday

Sonoma was treated to a fine spirit of loyalty when on Tuesday the folks from Guerneville came down to boost for the preservation of the beautiful Armstrong woods which is a measure to be voted on Tuesday. A special ballot will be handed to our voters for the purpose of authorizing the purchase of the grand old trees by the Supervisors.

Those in the delegation Tuesday in the evergreen decorated autos comprised Guerneville's leading citizens.

The Chauvet et al vs-London case was postponed to Nov. 8th.



Clarence F. Lea  
For Congress

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## PRETTY NURSE SECRETLY WEDS

Miss Gladys Simmons Announces  
Marriage Last January to Sty-  
son Groom. Surprise to Parents

Miss Gladys Simmons who has been training for a nurse in San Francisco came home last Friday night with her husband, Styson Groom whom she married last January and the news of the secret wedding was announced to her parents. The young couple asked the paternal blessing and their plan to keep the marriage a romantic secret until after the fair nurse graduated was given up on account of Mr. Groom's summons to Portland where he was to resume his work as a wireless operator and telegrapher. The separation was more than the fond lovers could contemplate so they decided to confide their secret to Mr. and Mrs. Simmons. The news was a profound surprise to the parents as the bride is an only daughter and a brilliant wedding was always planned for her. She was one of the brightest of our High School students and a member of the prize debating team of two years ago. When she decided to take up the career of nursing her leave taking was greatly regretted by a large circle of friends. At the hospital she did exceptionally fine work but Cupid who often interferes with careers appeared in the person of Styson Groom who wooed and won her and whisked her away to the altar in romantic fashion. Mr. and Mrs. Simmons knew the young man who is 27 years of age, but they did not encourage him as a suitor. It was therefore a great shock to them when the wedding of last January was announced but it is understood all has been forgiven and the paternal blessing bestowed upon the young people.

St. Francis Church Fair came to a very successful termination Saturday night. The attendance was a record breaker and the drawing for prizes resulted in the following lucky numbers:

Lady's watch 202 or 78; Auto Dollar Door prize, 195; Dinner Set 447 or 481; Sewing Machine, 227 or 256; Davenport 465 or 78; Gents' watch, 200 or 437.

Following are some of the winners: Jack Keiser, Silver Dinner Set; Otto Brandt, Wrist Watch; Ten Dollar Door prize, E. Vincent of El Verano; Julius Georgi, Mrs. Gericke, May Kearney, and still others yet to come forward.

The second numbers will take the prizes if the first is not presented.

In closing the fair, Rev. T. P. Moran gave a fine address, thanking the community for its support and pledging the help of himself and parish to any organization needing assistance in similar undertakings.

The Forum has become a mouthpiece for J. K. Bigelow who publishes his diatribe against Clarence Lea in the Lutgens sheet this week.

Jack London is erecting a solid stone creamery, dairy and abattoir on his ranch.

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## CAMPAIGN LIES AND INCONSISTENCY

The Bigelow organ has resorted to last hour campaign lies in order to try and win a lost fight. The latest deliberate lie is the statement that the Index-Tribune editorially endorsed Clarence Lea for Congress. We have not endorsed Mr. Lea in our editorial column and in that we are consistent for it has been our avowed policy to support Republicans and to give Chas. E. Hughes the backing he must have if elected to the presidency. We commend Mr. Lea highly to any believer in non-partisanship and it should be the policy of Guy J. K. Bigelow, registered Progressive, chairman of the Bull Moose contingent here and preacher of the non-partisan doctrine to support Mr. Lea rather than Edward H. Hart who is a decided partisan, a Republican of the G. O. P. type. But no, Bigelow has a personal grudge against Clarence Lea. He hates him for the splendid spirit of independence and honorable methods he employs in handling the affairs of the people of this County. Such a man cannot be used as a tool or made to rake chestnuts out of the fire by guys with private axes to grind. Therefore Mr. Lea is berated and insulted whenever there is the slightest pretext instead of winning commendation as he has from one end of the county to the other because of his splendid record as District Attorney of Sonoma County. As a man and an official Mr. Lea is above reproach and he would be a credit to any district if seated as a representative in Congress. We have not endorsed him editorially because the Index-Tribune believes that protection and other issues vital to the greatest good of the greatest number can best be carried out by a man pledged to Republicanism.

## BIG MEETING

Warden Johnson to Speak on "Prison Reform" and Club Women From All Over Are to be Here for County Council

Today is to be a gala day at the Sonoma Valley Womens Clubhouse which will be thronged with club women from all over the County, in attendance on the County Council which convenes this morning. Mrs. Carrie Burlingame, president of the council, will preside and the morning session will be given over to reports on the work being done by various clubs and to an address on the success of our Free Market at Santa Rosa.

The public is urged to attend particularly this afternoon when the big feature of the meeting will be Warden Johnson who is coming up from San Quentin prison to speak on "Prison Reform" an address which has been greatly enjoyed wherever given. Mr. Johnson speaks at 2:30 and there will also be several musical numbers.

The lie in Bigelow's organ that the Index is supporting Mr. Lea editorially will win him votes and the inconsistent Bigelow, chairman of the non-partisan preaching party which is a dead one, is shown up in just the light you would expect to find him. Mr. Lea's candidacy will not be injured by the malicious dry sheet but Mr. Hart whom Bigelow professes to boost will suffer because of the stupidity, the littleness and the inconsistency of Bigelow's utterances.

In regard to the egg tariff Clarence Lea's policy will enable him to do what is best for the people of his district whether they be poultrymen or fruit growers. He is not bound down by a platform pledge.

Yes the biggest minority vote will be for Evart and all the angels in heaven cannot blot it out.

## DUHRING-KINKEAD NUPTIALS

Celebrated at Berkeley Wednesday Evening

A pretty wedding was solemnized at Piedmont Ave. and Bancroft Way, Berkeley Wednesday evening when Frederick Duhring Jr. took for his bride Miss Ruth Kinkead a fair graduate of the University of California and prominent as is also the groom in fraternity circles. Dr. El-dredge performed the ceremony in the presence of many relatives and a number of close friends of the brides. Miss Kinkead wore the conventional white wedding gown and veil. In the bridal party were also the maids of honor, garland bearers and the groom with his attendants, one of whom was his brother, John Duhring, of this place. Benj. Foster of San Rafael was best man. The presents were many and beautiful and an informal reception followed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Duhring are spending their honeymoon at Carmel-by-the-Sea. Best wishes of many Sonoma friends go with them on their journey together through life.

## TRAGEDY OVERSHADOWS SONOMA HOME

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koenig was overshadowed this week by the death of Mr. Koenig's sister-in-law in Fruitvale. Mr. Koenig went down Wednesday and will do all he can to comfort his brother who is over 80 years of age and is beside himself with grief. Although estranged from his wife and child, the old gentleman regarded his wife highly and their only difference was over the large supply of money Mr. Koenig insisted on sending to France to a son who is a doctor in the balance corps there.

## Republicans Will Sweep Nation With Victory

Meeting Here Thursday Brings Message of Assurance and Telegram From Oroville Tells of Hart's Growing Strength

That Tuesday's election will result in a wide sweeping Republican victory is a foregone conclusion and at the rally here Thursday night, messages from the alert and astute speakers, Messrs. McGowan, Duke and Mrs. Krebs, brought reassurance to the large and enthusiastic audience, which greeted their prophetic utterances of the prosperity and honor to come to this nation with the overwhelming majority of Chas. Evans Hughes.

Hon. Robert Poppe presided at the meeting.

Mrs. Krebs spoke on the great Chicago Convention, in which she was one of the three women to vote and participate.

Mr. Duke discussed the issues so vital to our country's stability, declaring the need for Republican support all the way down the line, and Mr. McGowan gave a strong and magnificent address, which evoked the greatest enthusiasm.

From Oroville yesterday came this report of the growing strength of Edward H. Hart for Congress:

Oroville, Nov. 2, 1916.

Following a splendid meeting at Chico Monday evening, Oroville turned out en masse to greet Republicans at a grand rally here this evening. Edward H. Hart, E. J. Henning and Harry Davids were speakers.

Hart discussed tariff and its relation to products of the First District. Henning, who has just returned from the East, declared Hughes sure of election; New York, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio doubtful, and felt confident Republicans will carry by a big majority and urged cordial and earnest support of the entire ticket. He predicted a Republican majority in Butte.

HOW TO WIN TURKEYS & GEESE

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## Be Sure You Know What You Are Voting For

Prohibitionists have forced Two Measures  
on the Ballot at the November Election

The first measure (Proposition No. 1 on the ballot) is frankly a prohibition measure. Knowing that the voters of the State would not deliberately confiscate the great vineyards, the breweries and other important industries which prohibition would destroy, they have sought to accomplish the same result through a subterfuge. So they have also placed on the ballot Proposition No. 2, which has been widely advertised as an ANTI-SALOON MEASURE. If you have been told that Proposition No. 2 is a measure which affects only the saloons, read the other things it also does:

This so-called Anti-Saloon measure would make it a crime to serve a wine punch at a public reception.

Would prohibit the serving of wine at a public dinner or banquet.

Would confiscate the wine cellars and close the bars of every club in the state.

Would make every hotel proprietor subject to arrest if one of his guests carried the customary flask to the hotel room.

Would make it impossible for visitors or tourists to get a glass of wine anywhere in California.

Would prevent a Californian having a glass of wine or beer with his meals the moment he left home.

Would absolutely prohibit the serving of any stimulants with meals at hotels or restaurants and provide severe penalties to be imposed on the hotel or restaurant and proprietor for violation, even if done without his knowledge or consent.

It would go even further and prevent any hotel or restaurant chef from using wine, brandy or beer in preparing gravies, rarebits or other special dishes.

This so-called Anti-Saloon measure would even prevent any bakery from using brandy in mince pies or plum puddings, and would make this practically impossible even if the dishes were prepared at home.

It would prevent the sale of wine or beer by the gallon, bottle (or in any quantity), by grocery or other stores.

Would make it impossible for anyone enjoying a vacation at a summer resort to secure a glass of wine or beer at meals.

Would eliminate every branch of agency of a winery or brewery in California.

Would prohibit the soliciting of orders away from the place of manufacture and would eliminate traveling salesmen.

Would discourage the manufacture of the finest grades of wine, because they are used in bottle and sold principally in the hotels, restaurants and clubs of California.

Can you see any REAL difference between the two measures?  
Nos. 1 and 2 are Both Prohibition Amendments.

The principal difference is that No. 1 goes into effect at the end of 1919, and No. 2 goes into effect two years earlier. They would be equally disastrous to the vineyards, the breweries and all the other industries which prohibition is seeking to destroy.

Vote NO Against  
Amendments No. 1 and 2  
for Both are Prohibition  
Measures.

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## Re-elect Your Sonoma Valley Supervisor

THE election Tuesday will demonstrate whether Sonoma Valley can stand together and by cooperation win out or whether we will allow petty personalities, our individual likes and dislikes take precedent over the bigger issue of reelecting a Sonoma Valley man to the important position of representing Sonoma Valley and this supervisorial district on the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County. We have in this valley 2000 votes which granting some failures to register will give us the control of the situation by a big majority since the registration on the other side is something like 900 provided we make the most of our opportunity.

The all important fact in this choice of supervisor is to choose the best man for Sonoma Valley's future and that man is Harry Weise. Let us cease experimenting, for that is all Ewart would be—an experiment—Let us give experience its value and particularly when you see that the lesson of experience has been learned and profited by. It is far, far better than to contemplate the shortcomings of a man who asks you to take his word for the service he would render. His intent may be good but he is an unknown quantity. Criticism directed at Mr. Weise does not make Ewart the superior man his boosters would believe. Ewart is just a human being with his liabilities to mistakes, but we do not want to pay for his mistakes or suffer because of the program he would take from reformers even though he would later be disillusioned, which he would be sure to be. Do not permit new men to experiment with your money, Mr. Tax Payer, like children with blocks. If you are inclined to criticize past performances in this supervisorial district stop and consider what you would have done—your best that is all, and then profited by your experience. No man can do better than that and if there is a tendency to get better results now than formerly, it is due to the times, and to the method which modern traffic and public opinion makes imperative, for this reason we have the present Supervisor's term ending up with the building of a permanent type of road which will solve all the problems of road success and make the responsibility of road master in the future a small matter. It will obviate the necessity of finding out that the man who was a nice fellow with a block of votes behind him is a lemon when it comes to making good on the road question. The tax payer and the supervisor will both be happier for the new arrangement. Mr. Ewart has fawning road masters already in evidence who want him elected for the simple reason that they have a chance to nose the other fellow away from the corn crib. Such is petty politics but this is no longer the day of public caprice where the tax payers emotion can be played upon, or become easily swayed by smooth promises or social calls. This is the time when if you own one lot or 500 acres in Sonoma Valley it is your duty to vote for a Sonoma Valley man—for Harry Weise whose regard for far progress will bring the price of your property up. Your success and just how far ahead Sonoma Valley is going to get in the next four years depends on the united efforts of the voters of this valley to elect Mr. Weise and thereby get permanent roads and completed connections with the State Highway.

The Index-Tribune will advocate the high type roads for all parts of Sonoma Valley and will help any district that seeks to improve its routes of travel whether it be Vineburg, El Verano, Glen Ellen or San Luis, but we admonish every voter in these districts that their cause will be best served by rolling up the majority vote that will return our Sonoma Valley man to the Board of Supervisors that we may take up our road matters with him and not with an outsider. Vote for, and work for Weise every hour from now until Tuesday.

## A Call to Conscience

FOR man to blight what God has given is a sin. We should be constructive not destructive. The padres of old fostered the beautiful vines whose rich yield has been encouraged by the Government and State because of the adaptability of the soil which made riches to the state greater as capital was invested further in our vineyards. The wealth of the State has been steadily added to and thousands of people employed throughout this industry. The fame of California has gone abroad throughout the entire world because of the superiority of our vintage. It is an asset not only monetary but has a value as would a fine art. There is poetry and artistic beauty in our vine clad valleys and hills.

Prohibition is not only taking away a man's rights but a State's rights to natural yield is taken away by the proposed legislation. If we were to create a better moral atmosphere, if anything good was to take root because of the enforced destruction there might be a reason for destroying vineyards. It is impossible for man to create goodness and to put in sobriety simply by passing laws. Prohibitionists cannot deliver the goods. They cannot empty the State of our vineyards and winecellars and fill it up with regenerated people because of this arbitrary change. No, our beautiful vineyards nesting in our valleys and clinging to the hill-sides of dear old California must be protected and our voters will see to it that they will live and thrive forever in this favored State.

You want to get rid of the saloon? Would you fire indiscriminately into a flock of birds because you aimed to destroy a crow or a blackbird? Would you kill the goose that laid the golden egg? Amendments No. 1 and 2 will destroy the good with the bad and the good will forever be annihilated while the evil you aim at (the saloon) will live in a far worse form than now—a hidden evil, developing sneaks, thieves and liars, selling far more deadly poisons than a saloon ever did and enthralling because of its very secrecy.

Do not make California bleed and suffer for an operation that will do no good. We cannot afford to experiment when people's life's work and daily bread and personal liberty are at stake. Vote (No) on amendments one and two.

## How to Vote on the Amendments

VOTE No on Proposition No. 1. Vote No on Proposition No. 2. These are the amendments which will ruin one of California's biggest industries by enforcing prohibition and will not stop the consumption of drink.  
Vote Yes on No. 3, the act providing \$15,000,000 for the completion of the great State Highway System of fine roads.  
Vote No on No. 4, direct primary law amendment.  
Vote No on No. 5, still an un-tried tax measure.  
Vote Yes on No. 6, making it unlawful for a Senator or an Assemblyman to hold or accept an appointive job during his term of office.  
Vote Yes on No. 7, Highway enabling act.

IN its frenzied attempt to get its reform candidate, Mr. Ewart elected to the supervisorship the Bigelow organ misquotes that gentleman whose pamphlet before the primaries did not say that he would refuse to renew the license of any resort that deliberately ignored the law governing their management. What he did say was that he would not hesitate to close up any resort that in his opinion was not run as it should be. The Index-Tribune repeats that such arbitrary, highhanded method of putting people out of business would be tyrannical. We believe that if any one deliberately ignores the law, the law breaker should be dealt with as the law prescribes and we furthermore believe that the fellow who gets out and megaphones himself as a moralist should file a complaint if he is cognizant of such revolting conditions as he constantly would have people believe exist. He is not a good citizen if he is protecting vice when he knows so much about its existence. No this moralist wants some one else to be the "goat." The Bigelow organ says something about its life being an open book—we rise to remark that it is an autograph and very much on the shelf.



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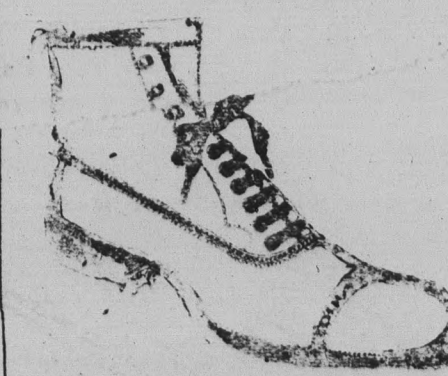
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Thomas Edward Erskine, Consul General for Great Britain at New Orleans and a former resident of Sonoma Valley died in the Crescent City Sunday last aged 57 years. Mr. Erskine left here about 18 years ago and since then the distinguished Englishman has held important diplomatic posts at Portland, St. Louis, Chicago and lately at New Orleans. It is believed that his augmented duties on account of the war hastened his death for in writing to M. F. Mullen of El Verano, Mr. Erskine said "we are all so busy here we don't know how to get through the work and have sometimes worked 22 hours at a stretch. You cannot imagine the heat here, at night, with fans running it is seldom under 80 degrees and the humidity is terrible and we have continued thunder storms. We are several feet below sea level." Mr. Erskine according to press dispatches succumbed to heart failure.

While in Sonoma the family resided on the place afterwards sold to E. T. Allen and several of the Erskine children were born here. A daughter is a prominent member of the English diplomatic set at Washington D. C. and a son, Tom is serving in the British army. Erskine was a great grandson of Baron Erskine, Lord Chancellor of England in 1806.

The Boys Agricultural Club of Sonoma Valley have elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Stewart Potter; Vice President, George Cooper; Secretary, Lester Hawkins; Treasurer, Don Bluxome; Sentinel, Meryl Bish.

They have decided after heated discussion to continue with corn as their crop for the coming year, and will have some fine seed from Ernest Revie, last years winner who is now touring the United States and Canada.

Secretary Agricultural Club.

Miss M. Helberg has been visiting relatives and friends in San Francisco the past week.

Miss Janet Harris returned to the Bay cities Tuesday morning. Miss Harris is engaged in missionary work.

Mike Gordenker has been down from Eureka on a visit.

Mrs. Carl Walliser has returned from the Orient to her Oakland home



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V. PROLETTI.

VOTERS—My Life's Savings are in the Vineyard You Are Asked to Destroy!

The following call to conscience in the matter of destroying people's business makes a strong appeal and is worthy of publication in these columns, coming as it does from one of our substantial and best citizens who would be ruined by the passage of amendments one and two. It tells of a life's savings which are jeopardized through the vicious proposed legislation:

Sonoma, Cal., Oct. 30, 1916.  
Voters of California;

Just forty years ago when eighteen years of age I landed in San Francisco from Sunny Italy (Genoa) to pay a visit to my sister who had preceded me here by ten years. I came for a short stay but as it looked good to me and very much in California like my own country, I changed my mind and remained. My brother wanted to take a trip back to the old country and asked me to take charge of his truck garden in what is now Daly City. As I had experience back home doing similar work for my father there, I was not afraid to undertake it in a strange land among strange people. I was successful and after two years I bought a half interest and later got a partner. We were industrious and saving and made good money from the start although of course there were streaks of bad luck too. When I was able, I decided to marry and I then settled down to save more and invest for the good of my family.

California was a good state for grape growing and the people encouraged investors to buy vineyards and proved that it was a profitable business.

After looking into the matter I sold all my income property and investments in San Francisco just before the earthquake and fire, came to Sonoma Valley and put my life's savings into a 250 acre ranch here, which cost me \$28,000.

To prove to those people who state that grape growing does not pay, off 100 acres in vine grapes the first year I was on this ranch I made \$9000 from 300 ton. Now if anyone can show me where they can make any more for the money invested I would like to see it. To raise this crop it only cost me \$1500.

Today there are people who want us to dig up our vines, without even

wanting to pay us for doing so after they have encouraged us to plant them.

If I am to dig up our vines the ranch will not be worth more than \$10,000 for a stock farm or dairy and a very poor one at that, cutting down my income to about \$500 per year with much harder labor certain times of the year.

At the present time it takes five men the year around to keep up the ranch and about twenty in harvest season, whereas on a dairy farm one man could handle the whole thing for six months of the year and the other six months there wouldn't be much to do. Where would the laboring man come in?

We are paying over \$400 taxes to the State and County. How much would the State and County get if I dig up my vines? Who is going to make that up, just ask yourself?

I have a family of two girls and two boys who have had wine on the table ever since they were born and I have never been known to abuse it or to pay frequent visits to saloons, no matter if every other house in the State of California was one.

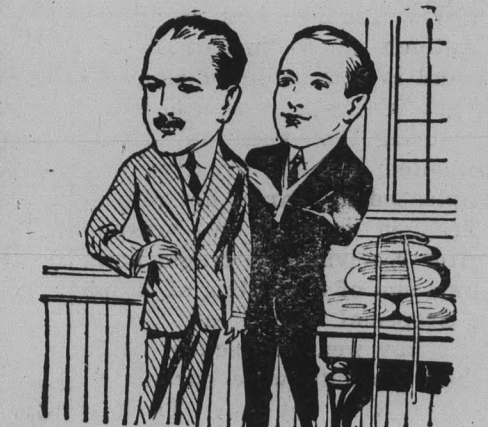
My employees are the highest paid help on any farm in the state, several have been working for me since I first came here. My wine cellar is as free to them as water out of the creek and not one of them has ever been known to be under the influence of liquor, in fact my men are known to have accomplished more work in one day than on any other ranch around here. My men have always had the right to the wine cellar ever since I have been in the state.

Three years ago when help was scarce I was forced to hire the hobo's off the road, who are known to get drunk when they have loose change in their pockets, I had about fifteen of them for the whole harvest season and the same privileges were extended them as to the other men and not one of them was ever seen drunk; why? because we did not try to keep them from getting it.

I know lots of my friends, are in the same fix that I am if the State of California goes dry. Ever since the first wet and dry election I began to experiment with alfalfa and fruit trees, the alfalfa not growing at all, and the fruit trees after their third year started to die off, and some of the old trees that are on the place now are and have always been very poor producers.

Some of you people just put your selves in the same boat and see how you like it. As for making grape juice, every one who has tried it went bankrupt.

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## MRS. JOHN WADSWORTH IS IMPROVING

Mrs. John Wadsworth's many friends will be pleased to hear that she is improving at the University of California hospital in San Francisco where she is under the care of Dr. Allen. Mrs. Wadsworth has been ill for some time at her home in the Hyde tract and recently she was taken to the city. Diagnosis, blood tests and X-ray plates have been made and her trouble is thought to be gall stones. If the patient continues to show signs of improvement an operation may be avoided. Mr. Wadsworth was down Monday and Mrs. Lochiel King, her daughter is a daily visitor to the hospital.

## NORRBOB ESTATE IN PROBATE COURT

The 444.63 acre property near Sonoma of the late Mrs. Sarah T. Norrbom is involved in the petition for letters of administration in her estate filed in the Superior Court Monday by Ferdinand M. Norrbom, her son, through attorney C. C. Cowgill of Sonoma. The land is valued at \$8000, according to the petition, which recites that other property in the estate is valued at \$2000, and there is \$250 worth of personal property, making a total of \$10,250 in the estate to be probated. Several heirs are left for the estate to be distributed to, there being no will left by the deceased.

## BETTER THAN RICH TROUBLE SHOOTERS

We like to see and hear a man who is proud of his native town. He is an indispensable citizen, although he may be as poor as a church mouse; but his name should be written in large letters at the entrance gate of his town as an honor to his memory. We have such with us and they are worth more to the progress of our town than their weight in gold. They know every point of interest and of advantage for miles around; and any stranger falling into their hands will soon learn everything that adds to the honor of our town and will be most favorably impressed. Such persons overlook with true patriotism all shortcomings and magnify with honest citizenship every advantage. Ye grumblers meditate. (Exchange)

Now that I am just about to retire and enjoy life, I will have to start all over again if the State of California goes dry.

F. PICETTI

## CHILD FELL FROM TRAIN GOING THIRTY-FIVE MILES AN HOUR

Mrs. Dyer, whose husband is station agent at El Verano, was on the Santa Rosa train Wednesday, and her little two year old child leaped out of the window and lost its hat. The conductor warned the mother that the little one would fall out, but she did not heed the warning for the child fell out when the train was going at a rate of about thirty-five miles an hour. The crew stopped as soon as they possibly could and backed up; no doubt expecting to find the lifeless form by the side of the track. Imagine their amazement when they looked back and saw the poor little thing toddling up the track as fast as it could run trying to catch up with the train. All bloody and dirty the baby was a most pitiable object, but the doctor who was summoned later, found no broken bones nor injuries of any kind except skin lacerations. The days of miracles are not past yet. (Calistogian)

"Apache War Trails" was the subject of the last lecture by Prof. Monsen Wednesday night at the Grammar school auditorium. This was the extra lecture made possible by public contribution.

## MINISTER CHAMPIONS EDITOR'S CAUSE

Martinez, Oct. 28.—Backed by his fellow citizens from the mayor down, Joseph Tracey, the young editor of the Pittsburg Post, in two weeks will face trial on the charge of criminal libel sworn to by Under Sheriff W. M. Veale, son of Sheriff Veale of Martinez.

The case grew out of the raiding of the redlight district of Pittsburg two weeks ago, which Tracey styled in his article as a "hold up" and his arrest has roused his town to such an extent his trial probably will amount to a civic demonstration. A banner has been strung across the main street by the people bearing the words "Tracey Defense League," after a mass meeting. Four prominent citizens, including Mayor H. H. Haynes and Rev. C. C. Chaplin of the Congregational church, have raised bail for the editor and passed resolutions in his behalf, and the women have organized and canvassed the town from house to house to get funds to fight the case.

Rev. Charles C. Chaplin is a former Sonoma boy and a brilliant graduate of the University of California.

## VOTE FOR "BOB" MADISON FOR THE ASSEMBLY

No better choice for the Assembly could be possible than that of choosing Mr. Madison as your representative in the state legislature. He has the right ideas and will be a valuable and forceful man from this part of Sonoma county. He is a Republican and a man with a clean record every way.

Every line in a newspaper costs the publisher something and it should be paid for, if it advertises something. If the grocer were asked to give away his groceries, he would refuse. A publisher of a newspaper must pay for the free advertising if the beneficiary does not, and it is one of the hardest things to be learned by many, that a newspaper has space in its columns to rent, and must rent them to live. To give away rent for anything less than living rates is as fatal to a newspaper as to a landlord to furnish rent free. It takes money to run a newspaper the same as it does any other kind of business. (Calistogian)

John J. Fox, horticultural commissioner, of Napa county was in the valley this week boosting Napa's State Fruit Growers Convention which meets this month in our sister city and promises to be a splendid gathering and of great interest to our farmers.

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## EUGENE DUTIL'S WEDDING DAY WAS TUESDAY

Eugene Dutil, a former El Verano boy but now of San Francisco was married to Miss May Murphy on Tuesday last in old Mission Dolores Church at 9 o'clock. The ceremony was most impressive, two priests assisting on the altar for the ceremony which was attended by a large number of relatives and friends of both bride and groom. The church was beautifully decorated and the young people were attended by the sister and brother of the bride who in her gray traveling gown with becoming hat and bouquet of bride roses looked most radiant as she came from the altar with the splendid young man of her choice.

An elaborate wedding breakfast at the Murphy home followed after which Mr. and Mrs. Dutil departed for Southern California. Elegant presents were received among which were handsome remembrances from the folks at El Verano who went down to the wedding. Eugene's many friends wish the young couple every happiness.

The club women make a basket picnic of their semi-annual County Council meetings but coffee is provided by the entertaining committee and the comfort of our new club house will lend itself most excellently to the hospitable reception of the visitors.

The completion of our Highway connections and permanent road work started by Supervisor Weise will come out of the general fund and not out of the road fund of the various districts. Boosting for this proposition will not effect the money to be expended in your particular locality—the connecting up of the Highway with County Seats has been made possible by the provision to take money out of the general fund which Weise favors and also Supervisor Hutchinson. Ewart and Supervisor Doss would not favor this because they want traffic to go Petaluma way.

Remember there is no partisan politics in choosing a Supervisor and the sly attempt to line up a party following for Mr. Ewart cannot delude anyone. An experienced Sonoma Valley man is what our people need, not an outside politician.

The many friends of Ernest Reive will be pleased to hear that he is enjoying his trip and has arrived in New York. His new letter will appear in our next issue.

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## SCHELLVILLE

The Jolly Twelve met at the F. Cone home on Wednesday afternoon, and all enjoyed the afternoon very much. The refreshments were delicious.

Mrs. Chas. Beach has returned from an extended Eastern trip.

Mr. Ed. Stone is home from Silver Lake and expects to remain with his family for a few weeks.

Miss Rose Jacquet, of Santa Rosa, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. Newman.

Mrs. C. Saunders and little girl returned from a visit of one week in San Francisco.

Mrs. H. Colquhoun and little Robert enjoyed the week end with friends in San Francisco.

Mrs. C. Jensen was hostess to the White Shell Club last Friday, and the afternoon was spent in a very pleasant manner. The members relished the delicious crab salad and coffee served by the hostess.

Mrs. L. Cordill has recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bennett motored to Petaluma Saturday and transacted business.

Mrs. Charles Potter entertained the Jolly Twelve in royal fashion last evening.

On Tuesday evening the pupils of San Luis school delighted a large audience by giving a Halloween play. A small fee was charged and a neat sum was realized, which will go towards buying some article of amusement for the play grounds. The children on the program did very well. The school room was decorated with Japanese lanterns and lighted pumpkins.

Mrs. A. F. Hopke is entertaining her mother and her two attractive little nieces from Suisun.

Tom Millerick has returned from his trip to Bakersfield.

Will Jacobson has disposed of a portion of his property on the old Marti place.

Two suspicious characters, one with considerable jewelry in his possession were detained by Constable Mawney and are in jail at Santa Rosa. They were picked up at Schellville.

A pump house on the Millerick ranch burned down Wednesday. The damage was slight.

## CHARITY

By Marcus M. Milton

This is the town Sonoma  
I'm sitting by a vine  
I'm in the shade of the finest grade  
That bears the grapes for wine.  
If they should have prohibition  
I suppose 't would be an end  
Of all the vineyards round about  
And so this note I'll send  
To you this may seem funny  
But do not think me hard  
But drinking alkali water's  
Not fit for man nor bard.  
If Gen. Grant was on this earth  
I think he'd like the brand  
Of the good wine from off this vine;  
I think 't would give him sand.  
You'd ruin many a thousand  
By your Prohibition vote  
And make yourself a laughing stock  
And us a mere scapegoat.  
But if wine gave Grant a quality  
Don't all good things eschew  
"Find out the vintage that he drank  
I'll send a case to you."  
For if you go abruptly  
And wipe out vineyards whole  
I say that you lack wisdom  
You surely have no soul—  
To you who care not what you do  
This may seem like "hot air"  
But then remember brother  
You should do what is square.  
Just think this matter over  
And when to the polls you go  
Remember what I tell you  
And mark your ballot NO.

It is stated on good authority that Charles Potter will shortly give up road work no matter who is elected Supervisor and that another prominent resident of San Luis district will be appointed by Mr. Weise to succeed him.

Mrs. M. J. Power will entertain St. Barbara's Guild Tuesday at the Emparan place, Lachryma Montis.

The Ralph Bundschus (nee Jean Geary) have a little daughter born in Berkeley.

A man named Morris was arrested for threatening his wife with a gun on one of the big ranches above Glen Ellen yesterday.

Harry Edward is the name of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhode. He is a fine boy and gaining weight every day.

Maurice Power went to San Francisco Thursday to meet a friend from New Zealand.

## TO BE TREATED AT S. F.

John Lawler Sr., who has been ill for some time, left for San Francisco yesterday accompanied by his son, and entered St. Luke's hospital, where he will receive treatment from a specialist and remain until he gets relief. Mr. Lawler has been ailing for some time and decided to consult a specialist.

Mrs. Lawler and daughter will leave today to spend a few weeks in San Francisco. (Courier.)

## MUSICAL AFTERNOON

Mrs. Lulu Vallejo Emparan, chairman of the afternoon on "Music" at the Womens club social meeting this month has announced her program in which she will be assisted by Mrs. Walter Murphy, Professor Rowell, Mrs. Ralph Hotz and others. The history of the ballad with illustrative numbers will be given and part two of the program is to be devoted to songs from "The Mission Play" to be sung in Spanish by Mrs. Emparan.

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9:28 A M	Glen Ellen and Intermediates.	9:28 A M	
6:56 P M		6:56 P M	
7:25 A M	Ignacio Headburg Cloverdale Ukiah Willits and Intermediates.	9:28 A M	
4:30 P M		6:56 P M	
7:25 A M	Eureka and Intermediates.		
4:30 P M			
7:25 A M	Sebastopol and Intermediates		
4:30 P M			
7:25 A M	Guerneville and Intermediates.	6:56 P M	

## MASK BALL BRILLIANT EVENT

Glen Ellen Womens Improvement Club Affair a Success

In Chauvet Hall Glen Ellen brilliantly lit and festively decorated for the occasion, over 75 couples in mask and costumes both handsome and grotesque tripped the light fantastic last Saturday night. It was the benefit ball of the Glen Ellen Womens Improvement club and the newly finished hall was a scene of splendor with the rowd of spectators and the gay maskers making a strikingly beautiful pageant. There was Uncle Sam and the Goddess of Liberty in the grand march led by Supervisor Weise and wife, also Dolly Varden, Follies, Gum Girls, a Baby, Rip Van Winkle, Clowns, Our Vineyards, "Vote Wet", Yamma Yamma's, Oriental Princess, Indian Maid, Cowboy, The Whole Dam family, Shoemaker, Tramp, Flower Girl, Negroes, Simp, Pirate, Pierette and other characters were prominent. The music by the Hansen Fetters Springs augmented orchestra was exceptionally fine and when the judges gave the decision of the prize winning dancers the results were announced as follows:

Mrs. Charles Lane, best dressed lady, Oriental princess; Morris Cooper, best dressed man, pirate; Mrs. Claude Higgins, best sustained character, infant; Chris Peterson, best sustained character, tramp; Mrs. Jack White, most original woman, Liberty; Miss Regusci, most original as a man, Uncle Sam.

Over \$100 was cleared by the club women at this splendid dance which was conducted along the most conservative lines and yet was the most enjoyable and the jolliest affair of the social season.

## HALLOWEEN AT FLOWERY

The sixty-five fine pupils of Flowery School gave a most creditable Halloween entertainment Tuesday night which drew out more than a hundred people to participate in the jollity. There were bon-fires and out-of-door games, singing, fortune telling, indoor contests and program numbers. An interesting feature, giving an educational value to the festivities, were the clever decorations which beside Jack-o-lanterns were cut-outs made and colored by the pupils in artistic fashion. There were weird cut-outs of black cats, flying witches, owls, bugs and other mystic insignia. Refreshments were served and after the school closed its hospitable doors, the guests were invited to Fetters theatre for the moving pictures.

## CASTORIA

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Mrs. Agnes Ryland was presented from going to the wedding of her nephew, Frederick Duh-ring, owing to a severe spell of the grippie. She had a new gown for the occasion and greatly anticipated the happy event as Frederick is a favorite nephew.

Miss Annie Lorenzi was up from the metropolis to attend the fair

Mrs. Wm. Trudgen has returned from Antioch much improved in health and is sewing again much to the delight of her patrons who missed her during the vacation which has benefited her so greatly and will be pleased to hear of her return. Mrs. Trudgen suffered a nervous spell after receiving the tragic news some time ago of the killing of Ralph Maple, a special officer at Colton who as a boy went to school here and whose parents were enroute to Sonoma to visit at the Trudgen home when intercepted at Paso Robles by news of the tragedy. Maple was killed while making an arrest.

Misses Dorothy McFarlane, Elmira Hansen and Nellie Peterson went over to Napa in Arthur Drake's car to attend the telephone girls' dance one night this week. They report a swell time.

Mrs. Ralph Hotz was hostess to the Bridge club Thursday and in the evening entertained twelve at "500". Dainty refreshments were served.

Ralph Morris was named sole heir to his uncle Tom's estate consisting of a 30 acre farm near Agua Caliente. Tom Morris often said his nephew, Ralph had more regard for family tradition and heirlooms and was therefore his favorite.

Miss Hallie Rambo has been visiting in Santa Rosa.

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## VINEBURG

Mr. Rhode will continue to raffie turkeys and geese at Vineburg Inn on Saturday evening Nov. 4th and Sunday afternoon Nov. 5th. All who wish well fed turkeys and geese for Thanksgiving are cordially invited to attend.

Last Sunday was quite a lively day in Vineburg and a number of guests were entertained in this vicinity. In the afternoon Mr. F. C. Rhode the well known poultry man raffled a number of fine birds at Vineburg Inn. Mr. Raoul De Emparan of Sonoma won a handsome white gobbler that tipped the scales at 27 pounds; you are all right Dal.

Mrs. August Figone and children of San Francisco were week end guests at the John Batto home.

George W. Reed, Sonoma's veteran station agent was a visitor at Battos Spur on Sunday last. The grand old agent reports a pleasant time during his recent trip to the Eastern states, but "California after all."

Mrs. M. Moore of San Francisco was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Colli at Birds Nest Cottage.

Miss Mary Batto is at present the guest of her sister Mrs. August Figone in San Francisco.

Mr. George Cassidy reports that the political situation in the Chinese Republic is quiet and that the Government at Peking still lives. And it never died a winter yet.

## SUCCESS CROWNS POULTRY- MENS' EFFORTS

R. H. Waite of Penn Grove, A. Sy-chrowsky and F. W. Dobbie of Sonoma, Knox Boud of Sebastopol and Charles Romwall, N. M. Jensen and T. Howard Hansen of Petaluma are the Sonoma county representatives among the incorporators of the Poultry Producers Association of California, which was brought to life Tuesday in San Francisco at the office of State Market Director Weinstock.

The organization represents 1015 shares at this time. The paid up capital stock is to be increased as rapidly as possible to \$250,000. The present stock subscription represents about one million hens. Practically the entire product of the association will be marketed in San Francisco.

Messrs Syerowsk and Dobbie have worked untiringly to bring this organization to a successful culmination and many Sonoma Valley people are interested in the project.

Misses Dorothy McFarlane, Elmira Hansen and Nellie Peterson went over to Napa in Arthur Drake's car to attend the telephone girls' dance one night this week. They report a swell time.

Mrs. Ralph Hotz was hostess to the Bridge club Thursday and in the evening entertained twelve at "500". Dainty refreshments were served.

Ralph Morris was named sole heir to his uncle Tom's estate consisting of a 30 acre farm near Agua Caliente. Tom Morris often said his nephew, Ralph had more regard for family tradition and heirlooms and was therefore his favorite.

Miss Hallie Rambo has been visiting in Santa Rosa.

Moving pictures and dancing every Wednesday and Saturday night at the Chauvet Hotel, Glen Ellen. Ad.

## Which Do You Prefer?

It is important for reasons of health and practical economy for every housekeeper to ask herself this question:

"Do I prefer a pure baking powder like Royal, made of cream of tartar derived from grapes, or am I willing to use a baking powder made of alum or phosphate, both derived from mineral sources?"

The names of the ingredients printed on the label show whether the kind you are now using or any brand, new or old, that may be offered is a genuine cream of tartar powder, or merely a phosphate or alum compound.

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New York

## A SHADOWLAND CHRISTMAS

Is the title of a novel and sparkling entertainment to be given by the Congregational Ladies Aid Society, at the Woman's Club on Friday evening Nov. 10th.

A most enjoyable time is promised. An unusually attractive display of fancy and useful articles will be offered for sale. Admission 35 cents. Children 15 cents.

City Attorney Cowgill proceeded with the action against Messrs Duh-ring and Ryland this week in the Superior Court to compel them to remove the cement approach which was put in contrary to city specifications. It was thought that a compromise had been effected but Cowgill says that the offenders are trifling with the municipality and that he is going to the bat.

Father Lacey of Piedmont spent Fair week with Father Moran.

Miss Margaret Gallagher of Pt. Reyes, a cousin of Eleanor Kehoe was here during the Fair.

Miss Mary Murphy of San Francisco has been visiting Miss Kehoe. Mrs. Barber has recovered the use of her wrist which was recently dislocated.

Pete Yenni Jr. was operated on for glands in his throat by Doctors Thomson and Hays this week.

Miss Marion Pancrazi came up from San Francisco to attend the mask ball at Glen Ellen last week. She reports her little nephew a fine baby.

Miss Marion Stone, a Berkeley teacher spent the week end with her cousin, Miss Florence Murphy.

## Win Your HOLIDAY BIRDS

TURKEYS & GEESE

at

VINEBURG INN,

Saturday & Sunday Evenings

PRIZE BIRDS

EVERYONE INVITED

Leveroni and Maffei recently shipped a carload of heavy hogs to Miller and Lux, San Francisco. This is the first shipment of Sonoma Valley hogs for a long time.

## BENEFITED BY TRIP

Mrs. Wm. Trudgen has returned from Antioch much improved in health and is sewing again much to the delight of her patrons who missed her during the vacation which has benefited her so greatly and will be pleased to hear of her return. Mrs. Trudgen suffered a nervous spell after receiving the tragic news some time ago of the killing of Ralph Maple, a special officer at Colton who as a boy went to school here and whose parents were enroute to Sonoma to visit at the Trudgen home when intercepted at Paso Robles by news of the tragedy. Maple was killed while making an arrest.

Judge Seawell affirmed Judge Small's decision relative to the fine of \$50 imposed on C. Clementi for having quail in his possession out of season.

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Witnesses testified that Reagan was going very fast when he hit the buggy and as Mr. Engler testified the impact "dazzled" him, the horse and Fognini all of whom were hurled into a ditch. After viewing the scene of the accident and listening to witnesses and the defense of Reagan's attorney that the driver of the car could not see ahead because of another machine the public road laws were pointed out and the Judge rendered a decision holding the defendant for the crime. The maximum penalty is \$100, but Reagan was let off with a fine of \$60.

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# ARMSTRONG WOODS SUPPLEMENT TO Sonoma Index-Tribune

SONOMA, CALIFORNIA, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1916

## A FEW WORDS ABOUT ARMSTRONG WOODS FOR A PROPOSED COUNTY PARK

**I**F you don't read this paper, the Armstrong Preservation League respectfully asks you to VOTE FOR. If you do read this paper, the League believes you will VOTE FOR without being respectfully asked. The League has more than 2,500 members.

Save these beautiful trees from the woodman's axe. Read what other people say. Consider the endorsement. Business people and others from all parts of Sonoma county favor the preservation of Armstrong Woods, comprising 395½ acres of land, 268 acres of which is heavily timbered. The amount of timber is estimated at more than 23,000,000 feet.

Some of the people and organizations favoring the saving of Armstrong Woods are: The California State Grange. The State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Sierra Club.

The Out-Door Art League of California.

The Sonoma County Development Board.

The Chamber of Commerce. Hon. Wm. Kent, Kentfield.

Geo. P. McNear, Petaluma.

Miss Nellie Doyle, Santa Rosa.

Mrs. John Thorpe, Guerneville.

Glenn Murdock, Santa Rosa.

D. L. Westover, Guerneville.

E. E. Drees, Petaluma.

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Geo. Hayes, Healdsburg.

Charley Shaw, Cloverdale.

O. O. Cobb, Guerneville.

Fred Duhring, Sonoma.

John P. Overton, Santa Rosa.

M. D. Hopkins, Petaluma.

R. G. Jacobs, Healdsburg.

Robert Poppe, Sonoma.

Jesse Burris, Sonoma.

The Native Sons and Native Daughters from all parts of the

state, and hundreds of others too numerous to mention.

**A VIRGIN REDWOOD FOREST—GOD'S GIFT TO SONOMA COUNTY—THE PEOPLE'S PLAY GROUND.**

Look over the lands where once stood the trees. From the north line of Sonoma county to salt water the whirring song of the mill was the dirge of the forest. One park of trees is left, and that, the splendid Armstrong Woods, near Guerneville, grand specimens of the towering Sequoia.



Picture No 1

### Ten Reasons Why You Should Save Armstrong Woods

1. It is the most easily accessible of all Redwood forests.
1. It will attract thousands of visitors to Sonoma county when county owned and advertised.
3. It is offered at the price of \$80,000, less than its value.
4. It contains over 23,000,000 feet of standing timber, worth \$4.00 a 1,000 feet.
5. Sonoma county should fall in line for preserving the great glory of California—her Redwoods.
6. The movement to save the grove has the endorsement of prominent men and commercial bodies within and without the county.
7. Once county owned, the trees will be saved forever.
8. This is not a bonding proposition—only a tax matter.
9. The cost of the grove to the average tax payer will be one-fifth of one per cent., which, if distributed over a period of five years, would be only one twenty-fifth of one per cent. on your assessed valuation.
10. SAVE Armstrong Woods.

### GOD'S TEMPLES

**My Dear Friends:**

With much interest I have read your earnest appeal for the preservation of these noble trees. You have a grand theme. The forest groves of California are indeed God's Temples, and landmarks to be cherished. I wish you every success.

Oakland, December 1, 1908.

**JOAQUIN MILLER.**

Nine years ago the great poet of the Sierras wrote this letter to encourage the people to save these woods. The sentiment of his letter still lives.

**VOTE FOR—Armstrong Woods Proposition, Nov. 7th, 1916**



# General Information Regarding Armstrong Grove

**A**RMSTRONG Woods, situated near Guerneville and the Russian River, in Sonoma county, comprises one tract of land, nearly square, of 395½ acres. Upon this tract stands Redwood, Pine and Fir trees, together with Maple, Pepper, Oak and other vegetation.

The redwood and pine trees were cruised in March of 1916 by an official cruiser, who is a civil engineer and surveyor of the highest standing. Affidavits are on file in Sacramento to the correctness of these statements. It was determined by careful work that there is more than 23½ million feet of timber of a very high grade, running from 60 to 70 per cent. in clear lumber.

The cruise was obtained by a Mr. Stevens, who at one time successfully operated a mill at Markham for and with Mr. E. K. Wood of the E. K. Wood Lumber Company, and it was understood that Mr. Wood was to back Mr. Stevens in cutting the Armstrong Woods, but on account of sickness he was forced to give the project up. The price in this deal was to be \$100,000—land reserved—which meant \$120,000 to the present owners, should it have gone through.

Several offers were afterwards received, one of \$90,000, but the terms of sale and payment for the woods could not be arranged satisfactorily to all concerned, owing to the fact that there are six persons interested in the trees, some of them demanding all cash or its equivalent. The deal was off, temporarily at least.

Then an offer of \$80,000, of which \$60,000 was to be cash, was made, and the balance secured. Some of the interested parties at first refused to consider such a ridiculously low figure. They later agreed to the terms with much complaining and reluctance, fearing that where so many were interested a sale would never be made without some giving and some taking.

Mr. Geo. P. McNear of Petaluma, hearing of the contemplated sale and ultimate destruction of one of Sonoma county's beauty spots and the last available accessible redwood forest of the state, wrote an open letter to E. H. Brown of the Sonoma County Development Board, calling attention to the calamity about to befall the county. The letter was published in the various newspapers of the county, and a mighty cry of protest was raised.

Their object being accomplished, they immediately began plans for the acquisition and preservation of the woods. The price was determined upon at \$80,000—it is considered very reasonable. The owners agreed to stand the additional loss of interest until January 1, 1917. This amounts to \$2250, taxes in-



Picture No. 2

cluded, figuring the investment at 6 per cent, which is the usual bank rate; most all brokers charge more.

A League was formed by the Sonoma County Development Board and active work commenced. The law was looked into; the supervisors interviewed, and the course to pursue determined upon. Petitions were circulated and in a very short time 2538 names were obtained.

The petition was filed with the board of supervisors, and they, being in favor of the plan, willingly voted to submit the proposition to the voters of the county and heartily endorsed the project.

Now it's up to the voters—the fate of these giant Redwood trees is in your hands. To vote against means the destruction and loss for all time of one of Sonoma's most beautiful spots—an attraction that can never be replaced nor duplicated, even in a thousand years.

On the other hand, to vote For means that the county will own and operate a public park that can have no equal in the world. It means, also, that tourists from the four corners of the earth will come to Sonoma county to see the mighty trees of Armstrong Woods. They will cost the county but \$80,000, and you can figure out for yourself your share if you pay taxes.

The assessed valuation of all the property in Sonoma county is about \$40,000,000. Your portion of the eighty thousand is certainly very small—in fact, insignificant. One per cent of forty million is \$400,000—five times more than enough. Think of one-fifth of one per cent of the assessed valuation of your property. You'll never know it's being paid and you are getting more than full value. And once it is paid the Forest is owned by you, your children, their children and everybody until the judgment day—always increasing in value—worth more tomorrow than today.

That is why we, the committee selected by the Sonoma County Development Board, ask your assistance. There are hundreds of reasons why you should vote For—we know of no good reason why you should vote Against. This project has the hearty endorsement of the following members of the committee:

- Geo. P. McNear, Merchant and Financier.
- Glenn Murdock, President Santa Rosa Bank.
- H. H. Elliott, Hardware and Sporting Goods.
- O. O. Cobb, Merchant and President Guerneville C. of C.
- Mrs. John Thorpe, Past President North Bay Association.
- E. E. Drees, President Petaluma C. of C.
- R. G. Jacobs, Member Healdsburg C. of C.
- Fred Duhring, Merchant, Banker and President Sonoma C. of C.
- John P. Overton, Banker and President Santa Rosa Hotel Company.
- Clarence F. Lea, District Attorney.
- D. L. Westover, Retired Lumberman.
- Charley Shaw, Banker, Cloverdale.
- A. B. Swain, Sebastopol Banker.
- G. W. Hayes, President Healdsburg C. of C.
- Peter Hansen, Retired Farmer, Santa Rosa.

Others who endorse the plan are too numerous to mention, but two men, such as Luther Burbank of Santa Rosa, who also subscribed liberally to the preservation fund, and the Hon. William Kent of Marin county, who also donated the sum of \$100.00, and many others have backed their approval and endorsement of the plan with subscriptions. When people do that it's proof that they have looked into the project and found it right.

## VOTE FOR---Armstrong Woods Proposition, Nov. 7, 1916



# The Commercial Value of Armstrong Woods

**T**AKING it for granted that the cruiser's figures are correct, the estimated profits to be made by cutting the timber would be something over \$200,000. The land and timber at a cost of \$80,000 appears to be a bargain, and there are several mills for sale in this vicinity at a song, so that a fully equipped outfit with logging apparatus and all other necessary odds and ends could be placed in the forest at a cost not to exceed \$20,000, thereby making a total cash investment of \$100,000, adding to this a sawdust drying plant at a cost of not over \$5,000, and you have everything a modern sawmill needs.

We will now assume that 23,323,000 feet of timber will cut at least that much lumber; in fact, with the modern band-saw mills, it should cut 10 per cent more. The cruiser estimated the timber would run from 65 per cent to 70 per cent clear, for our purpose we will use 60 per cent as being more conservative. 60 per cent of twenty-three million gives us fourteen million feet of clear lumber, which has an average market value of \$28.00 per thousand feet, or \$392,000.00, 40 per cent of twenty-three million would be the common lumber; that is, nine million feet, and it has an average market value of \$15.00, or \$135,000.00. The cost of cutting the timber and placing on cars will not exceed \$8.00 per thousand feet. Twenty-three million ft. at \$8 per M., or \$184,000, is the cost of felling, milling and selling the timber. Add that to the cost of the mill, land and timber and deduct it from the selling price of the timber, it will give you the approximate profit on the timber. Then to this you may add \$15,000.00, estimated value of the land after timber is felled, and \$2,500.00, which would be about all the \$25,000.00 equipment would net. There is the profit on twenty thousand cords of wood, estimated at \$1.00, or \$20,000.00, and there is the 1605 piles of an average length of 80 feet; they would net about \$6,500.00. The sawdust value is more or less problematic, though one lumber concern in Humboldt sold more than they could produce this season, and they claim there is more profit in sawdust than in lumber when it must be sold at a price of less than \$15.00; in fact, this concern has run logs into the Hog that would have made good common lumber because they figured it was more profitable. The sawdust is used by grape growers, etc., to pack fruit for Eastern and Southern shipment.

Cost of land and timber .....	\$ 80,000
Cost of mill and equipment .....	25,000
Cost of operation .....	184,000
<b>Total cost .....</b>	<b>\$289,000</b>
 Sale of clear lumber .....	 \$392,000
Sale of common lumber .....	135,000
Sale of land .....	15,000
Sale of cord-wood .....	20,000
Sale of piling .....	6,500
Sale of mill .....	2,500
Sale of sawdust .....	?
 Total gross returns .....	 \$571,000
Deduct total gross cost .....	289,000
 We have Total Net Profit .....	 \$282,000

Admitting an \$80,000 mistake, we still have a net profit on our investment of more than \$200,000, and then suppose we cut that in two, is that not a nice profit to clear from an investment of \$105,000?

Prove these figures for yourself—ask your lumberman what he will sell you 1,000 feet of 1x16x20 No. 1 clear dry redwood, also 1,000 feet of 1x12x16 same grade—then ask him for his price on 1,000 feet of 1x16x20 clear dry redwood, clear from shakes and loose knots.

Any real estate man in the county will estimate the value

of 395½ acres of land that is 268 acres level, and which will grow almost any kind of fruit, berries, grapes, hops, etc., at not less than \$15,000. Cordwood can be placed on the cars near the mill for \$1.15 per cord, contract.

Prove for yourself these values and the estimated profits will not appear so large, and you will realize that Sonoma county is getting a real bona fide bargain if she purchases the Armstrong Woods for \$80,000.

## Cruiser's Estimate and Affidavit

San Francisco, March 8th, 1916.

LeBaron Estate Co.,  
Gentlemen:

Herewith permit me to submit result of my investigation of your timber, coupled with that of Everett LeBaron, a minor, and Mrs. Lizzie Armstrong Jones, situated in Township 8 North, of Range No. 10 W Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, Section 18.

Of this timber, I would say, it may be termed first-class redwood timber (like all heavy old growth redwood timber, there are many faulty trees); will run from 65 per cent. to 70 per cent. clear in manufactured lumber. Several butt logs are burned out and otherwise imperfect, reducing this percentage of clear lumber. The leaning timber will waste some in felling. All of it cannot be saved, but some may, and will be, saved naturally. I find the timber as follows:

Totals:—Acreage, 395.50; lumber acreage, 268; redwood 22,865,000 feet; fir, 458,000 feet. Total timber, 23,323,000 feet. Redwood piling, 1276; fir piling, 329.

Most respectfully submitted,

(Signed) A. W. STARBIRD.

State of California, )  
) ss.

City and County of San Francisco,)

Charles J. Colley, being first sworn, says, that he is an architect doing business and residing at San Francisco, California; that he knows Mr. A. W. Starbird, the signer of the foregoing report, and has the highest opinion of his ability and integrity, and believes that he is competent and qualified to cruise timber. Mr. Starbird is a surveyor and civil engineer.

(Signed) CHAS. J. COLLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, A. D., 1916. (Signed) H. B. DENSON,

Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.



Picture No. 3



# Value of Armstrong Woods as a County Park

**S**UCCESSFUL business men know it is priceless because once destroyed it can never be restored. If it is ever cut for its commercial value it will be considered a crime, and yet we, the people who have enjoyed these woods for the past twenty years, could not and should not blame the present owners, who are a corporation, a minor and a widow, if they sell the woods for commercial purposes. They have done all they could, more than most people would, and now offer the park to the people at a very reasonable figure.

There is no accurate manner of reaching a value that would be even nearly correct when considering these wonderful giants of nature. We might just as well set a price on your life. What is it worth to you? Remember, you cannot come back once you're gone, and that's also true of Armstrong Woods. If your life is worth twenty-five cents a year for the next five years, can't you believe that the lives of several thousands of beautiful Redwood trees are worth as much as twenty-five cents? Be kind to your fellow man, to the children that are to come, be liberal to your county, let the world know that you lived and helped others to enjoy the beauties of nature to be seen in Armstrong Woods.

To vote YES means that you favor the purchase of Armstrong Woods by the County of Sonoma for park purposes.

It means that you place the power in the hands of your Supervisors to purchase or otherwise acquire the 395½ acres of land, together with the redwood trees and everything else thereon, from the present owners at a price not to exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars, (on the best terms that they can obtain).

It means that you authorize the Supervisors to pay for the woods. They may take the money out of the general fund of the county; they may submit to the voters a bond proposition, but most likely they will pay for the woods by special tax, thus eliminating the interest on bonds. They may even call upon the Taxpayers' Association for their opinion, and no doubt will. At any rate, the cost to you will be very, very little so that should not be taken into consideration. The taxpayers of Sonoma county paid more than the price of the Armstrong Woods for an exhibit in the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, which lasted but ten months. The Armstrong Woods Park, once paid for and owned by the people, will remain theirs always, ever increasing in value, drawing visitors to the county, enhancing the value of farm products, helping to make every line of business in the county more prosperous.

The Big Basin Park in Santa Cruz county has helped that county to be what it is today. It is known to every tourist in the nation. Why not forever put Sonoma county in that envious position?

Real estate men, county development boards and railroads do not as a rule advertise privately-owned beauty spots, springs, parks, geysers, or anything else unless they receive pay for the advertisement. That is why you pay 50 cents to spend 20 minutes seeing the petrified forests.

It will cost the average person 80 cents to save Armstrong Woods. Divide that into five years, and it means but 16 cents per year. The Armstrong Park, once it becomes your property, is free to the people of the world all the time.

Sonoma county ought to own Armstrong Woods. Sonoma county should have purchased them long ago. Don't let us wait longer or dilly dally along until these last beautiful specimens of the great Redwood forest are cut down, said a well-known citizen in the Press-Democrat office Thursday, in discussing the matter.

## A BONA FIDE STANDING OFFER FOR THE TIMBER

A representative of the owners reports an offer for the Armstrong Woods timber which will eventually amount to over \$110,000. The offer for the timber only is over \$92,000. To this add the profit of 1605 80-foot piling, \$6,500; and the land, \$15,000. Mr. Anson Hilton of 2674 Fruitvale avenue, Fruitvale, is the man who makes this offer, and he has an appointment to meet the representatives at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, on November 8th, 1916, at 4:30, providing the voters of Sonoma county do not vote to purchase the woods. Mr. Wm. Carr, president of one of the banks in Sonoma county, personally knows Mr. Hilton, who at one time successfully operated a sawmill in the Russian River timber section, and he says Mr. Hilton is a man who can make a success of a mill in Armstrong Woods.

## LEND YOUR HELP TO THIS NOBLE CAUSE

The saving of Armstrong Woods is not a one-man task—everybody should help. About \$500 has been paid into the Armstrong Preservation Fund—\$500 more is needed. Don't wait for the other fellow—you can help. Many small subscriptions make a large total. A full report of all receipts and expenditures will be made, and after all is over, published in the several Sonoma county newspapers, who are so loyally helping in the fight to save Armstrong Woods.

Mr. Glenn Murdock, president of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce is treasurer. Address your subscriptions to him or to Armstrong Woods Preservation League, Santa Rosa.

## THE REDWOOD

*With its mighty pillar rising straight and direct toward heaven, bearing up its leafy honors from the impurities of earth, and supporting them aloft in free air and glorious sunshine it is an emblem of what a true nobleman should be; a refuge for the weak,—a shelter for the oppressed,—a defence for the defenceless; warding off from them the peltings of the storm, or the scorching rays of arbitrary power. but, who is this, is an sub-ment and a blessing to his native land.*



**VOTE FOR—Armstrong Woods Proposition, Nov. 7, 1916**



# The Sentimental Value of Armstrong Woods

"THE groves were God's first temples. Ere man learned  
To hew the shaft and lay the architrave.  
And spread the roof above him—ere he framed.  
The lofty vault to gather and roll back  
The sound of anthems; in the darkling wood,  
Amid the cool and silence he knelt down  
And offered to the Mightiest solemn thanks  
And supplication."

So chanted Bryant in the majestic numbers of his matchless forest hymn, and after ages have taken up the grand refrain. "Father, Thou art here," sweeps on the song. "Thou fillst the solitude; Thou art in the soft winds that run along the summit of these trees; Thou art in the awful organ tones when storms swell through the place where mossy, tall and dark they stand, fit shrine for worshiper to hold communion with his Maker." Who has not stood awed beneath the old trees—the patriarchs of the wilds springing from the ground, and growing straight up to God. What unrecorded centuries have left their circles in these giant stems. Empires have come, have gone, and they are there, strong, kingly, their coronal of leaves still as green as when time first winged over their verdant crests. Well has the poet written his grand theme. The wilderness, that crypt of nature, is the place of the beginning of life, and well has the inspired singer lifted his voice in sacred song within these dim and sacred corridors where dwells the invisible spirit of Eternity, and the noble anthem has blended with life's great harp's monochord.

But how has man—ravaging, destroying man—handled this heaven-given heritage? Have these primal temples been held as sacred things? Even in the ruder days of earth the forest groves were set apart. To the simple mind they were the hiding places of deity. The early Aryan in his grove worshiped the sun, that visible essence of God, and in the golden bars of light falling down through the tree-tops he saw answer to prayer. The classic groves of Dodona was the sanctuary of Grecian Jove before marble frieze and column marked the pile of the lordly Parthenon. The Druidic priest, under his oak in mystic rites, ministered to a god ere the later Briton hewed the Gothic shaft and architrave to uphold the grand cathedral dome. Ah, the groves were God's first temples, and through their calm shades He heard the notes of praise come up to Him.

But how has man, who holds in fee simple these grand natural gardens of the gods, preserved the gift? Look over the lands where once stood the trees. Lay ear to earth and hear the strokes of steel as it mercilessly bites into the noble columns; and hear the thunder sound as the stricken monarch falls low. It is a pitiable anti-climax from the sublime portrayal of the poet to the saddened scenes of ruthless vandalism, but it is the reply to the query. On the bare domes of hill and in the treeless cups of valley are the ruins of the forests. To stack up in sordid marts of trade have they gone and the soil that fed them lies in glaring nakedness. Once a magnificent wilderness practically spread across the California plains from summit to sea. Now, only the pines on the peaks and the few solitary Sequoia are yet on their stumps. The almost inaccessible location of the one and the strong arm of state around the other have so far saved them from the saw.

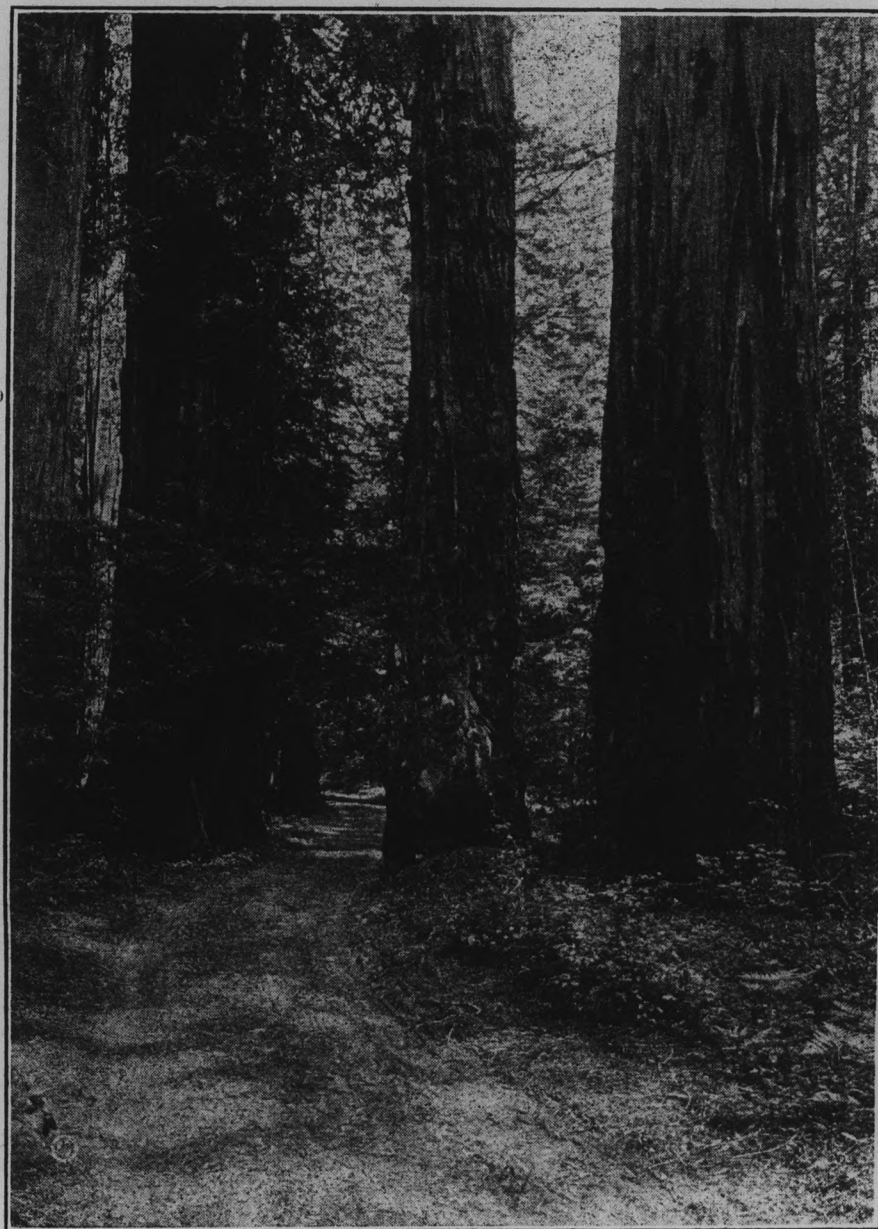
When the sturdy pathfinders were lifting the Bear Flag to the western winds, leagues of stately redwoods grew on the Coast Range. They hung thickly on the slopes and crowned the vales, the park of the Indian and the covert of the deer. They bent gracefully down to their own mother-stream, the green-shored Russian River, and caught in their leafy deeps the silvery echoes of her murmuring flow. But the saw followed the flag, and one by one the trees went down.

EVERY person that has ever seen the Armstrong Woods will vote For—they have felt the power of nature, an inexplicable feeling. The trees are thousands of years old—planted, no doubt, by the hand of God in the time, or even before the time, of Adam and Eve, reared by nature, until to-day they stand with their heads majestically erect, pointing straight up to heaven.

There are but two species of Redwoods in the world, and they grow only in the State of California. Of these, *Sem-pervirens* grow only in the Coast Range of mountains, while the *Gigantica* grow only in the Sierras. All the Redwood forests of the state are privately owned with the exception of two small tracts, one of which was made a National Park by gift of Wm. Kent, the other is a State Park by purchase.

The Muir Woods are located near Mill Valley, on Mt. Tamalpais. It is but a very small tract of land, and the trees are not large nor will they ever grow to be as large as the giants in Armstrong Woods. To place the largest tree of Muir Woods beside the largest one from Armstrong Woods would be like placing a child beside its father, nor can they be compared for beauty. Yet they were worth saving by the nation for all time, through the kindness of the giver, Hon. William Kent.

The Big Basin, situate in Santa Cruz county, is a state park of a very large tract of land and beautiful Redwood trees, but not so wonderfully beautiful as Armstrong Woods. Nor is the Big Basin so easy of access, for after leaving the train, seventy-five miles from San Francisco, it is necessary to travel by auto fifteen miles further. This forest originally cost the state \$250,000; the fifteen-mile road was built at an expense of \$70,000; and since then, over \$325,000 has been expended, making a total cost to the state for the Big Basin



Picture No. 5



# The Sentimental Value of Armstrong Woods

of over \$650,000. At that, all who have had the opportunity to see these giants of the forest say that they are worth ten times the cost. In fact, the Big Basin cannot be purchased from the state at any price. Once any park or playground is purchased by the public, it cannot again be obtained by private individuals. For instance: Suppose a real estate company were to make an offer to San Francisco for the Golden Gate Park and it was submitted to the people to be voted upon, regardless of how large the sum offered, do you think the people would vote to sell. No! And ten thousand times No! Even you who live and vote in Sonoma county, would you vote yes on the proposition to sell Golden Gate Park, knowing it would be destroyed and cut up into factory sites? No!

Mrs. Margaret Myer, who for three years has been a student of the Redwood forests of California and who knows the trees as well as their history, and the history of the lumber industry, has hundreds of photographs of forests, mills and logging camps, showing the devastation left behind the timber cutters—nothing left but the bare, blackened land and the ugly burnt stumps. "She says, "At the rate the timber is being cut it will be but a few short years until the Redwoods of California have passed into oblivion."

To know the Redwoods, it is only necessary to spend a few days in the Armstrong Woods. At day-break, as you awake, your mind is impressed with the awe-inspiring stillness of the forest, and your very soul thrills with the grandeur of the monstrous giants standing silently side by side, their heads erect as though looking up to God. You unconsciously kneel in prayer, and as you arise the trees seem to whisper

their benediction; your heart leaps with joy and from away far up in the tree tops comes floating down to you the joyous songs of the birds. At noonday, as the sun comes filtering down through the branches, alighting on tree trunk here and there, forming fantastic fabrics of wonderful hues of the leaves and undergrowth, it is then one's mind drifts into the past, back to the Garden of Eden, only to leap forward again with lightning speed to the thought: "This must be Paradise." In the evening, as the sun reclines to its rest in the warm glow of the Golden West, and the shadows flicker here and there, to and fro; and the birds, the rabbits, chipmunks and the squirrels steal silently into their hiding places, and the whispering songs of the trees are the only remaining sounds—as if the harps of the angels bid you sleep—it is then that nature again compels your soul to prayer. It is at the dying of the day that you feel the hand of God leading you ever onward, ever upward. You stand bareheaded within the Circle, your eyes raised to heaven. Up through the intervening branches of these awe-inspiring wonders of the forest you see the stars, and you feel the security of the protection which they offer you. You will unconsciously and slowly be drawn close to the heart of the giant tree standing proudly erect before you. Your fingers will entwine in the folds of bark that protect its life. Your cheek will be pressed lovingly against it, and the thought of the woodsman's axe will bring bitter tears to your eyes. You, like all others, will have learned to know and love the giant Redwoods, the King of the forests—You will vote For.

## PICTURES OF THE ARMSTRONG WOODS

The pictures contained in this little paper are reproductions of actual photographs of the beautiful Armstrong Woods. The photographs are much more desirous in the Sepia finish. The hand oil painted photos on canvas are true works of art and cannot be excelled. You are given this opportunity to possess a beautiful picture of the woods at the regular prices. The profits will go into the treasury of the League to be used for the purpose of defraying the cost of this effort to educate the people so that they might vote intelligently upon the Armstrong Woods Proposition. If you desire to subscribe to the fund or purchase a picture, use the following blank:

### ARMSTRONG WOODS PRESERVATION LEAGUE

Santa Rosa, Cal.

Herewith inclosed you will find .....Dollars  
which I subscribe to the Armstrong Preservation Fund.

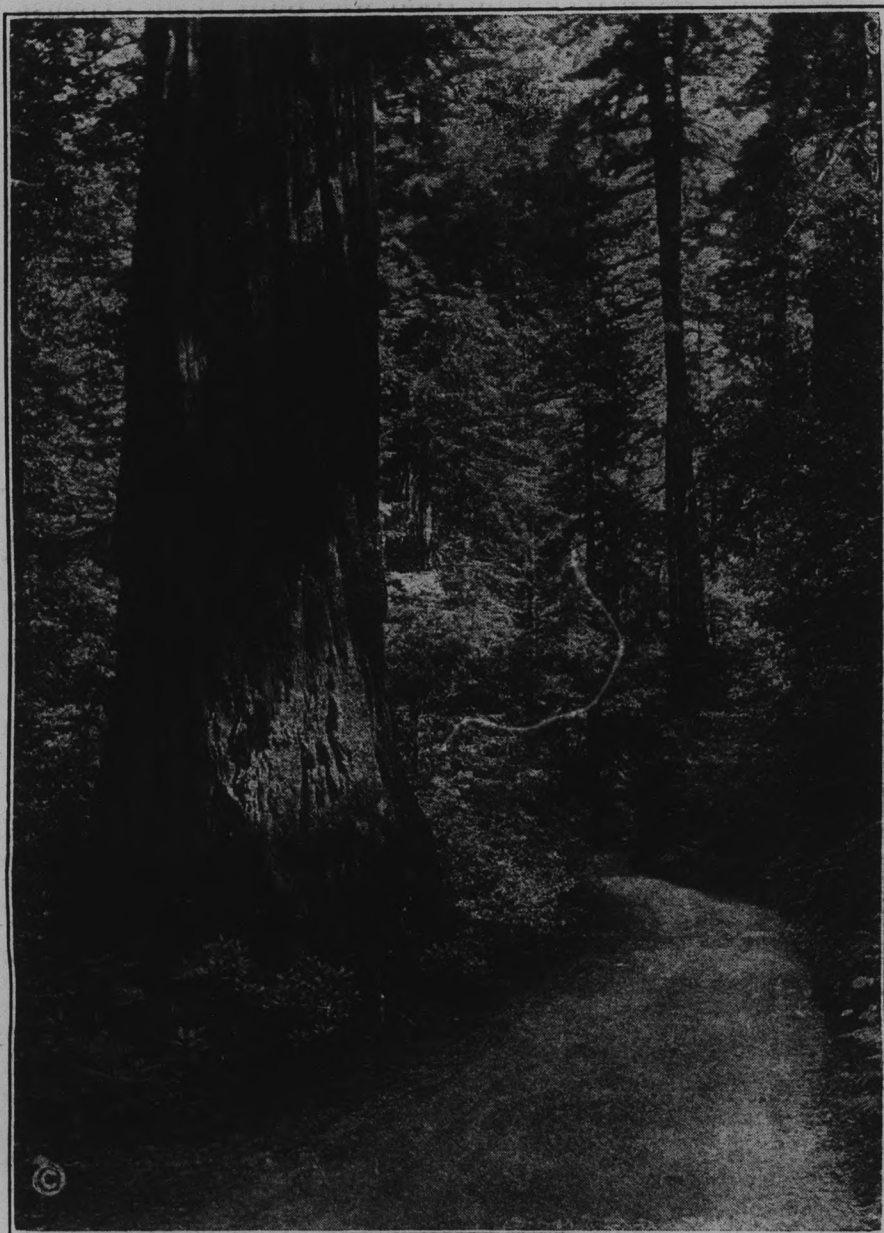
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Please send to the above address the picture marked, for which I enclose.....Dollars:

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10x12 Sepia, \$1.50; Oil Painted, \$7.00; Framed, \$1.50 extra.  
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Choice of Frame—Walnut Veneer, Gold-Bronze or Brown.

These pictures were taken, and the prints and oil painting is done by an expert artist. Work is guaranteed to be satisfactory. If you prefer, leave the selection of the frame to the artist, Mr. A. Walter, who resides at 708 Washington street, Santa Rosa, Cal.



Picture No. 6

**VOTE FOR--Armstrong Woods Proposition, Nov. 7, 1916**



# Lend Your Active Assistance In a Noble Cause

WHAT CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM KENT SAYS

House of Representatives U. S.  
Washington, D. C.

Kentfield, Cal., Sept. 25, 1916.

Armstrong Woods Preservation League,  
Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, Cal.,

Gentlemen:

Yours of September 21, 1916, duly received. I believe that it would be the most short-sighted folly possible to destroy the Armstrong Woods. They are worth much more standing than cut, even if the matter be considered as a money-making scheme. Sonoma county is to be congratulated for thus looking to the future.

I wish I were able to take a larger part in the preservation of this patch of the most beautiful timber in the world, for the enjoyment of those who, without such farsighted action, would never have the opportunity of seeing samples of the finest vegetable growth that has ever grown. I am glad to contribute toward your campaign.

As far as I know, the only Redwoods that seem to have a chance of being preserved at the present time are the Santa Cruz Forest belonging to the state and the little Muir Woods belonging to the federal government. All the rest of the Redwood that amounts to anything is in private hands and is threatened with destruction, which will vastly increase with the close of the war and the opening of the ocean commerce. Every county in the Redwood region should see to it that adequate tracts are preserved.

Yours truly,

WILLIAM KENT.

Mr. Kent contributed \$100.00, and when anybody backs up their opinion with \$100.00 it surely should convince others of the value placed upon the Armstrong Woods.

Other contributions received are:

Santa Rosa Bank, \$25.00.

Bank of Guerneville, \$25.00.

Geo. P. McNear, \$25.00.

Miss Nellie Doyle, \$25.00.

Luther Burbank, \$5.00.

Northwestern Pacific Ry., \$250.00.

Other subscriptions of various amounts have been received and it is these contributions that have helped make it possible for the Armstrong Woods Preservation League to place this issue squarely up to the voters of Sonoma county.

It is up to the voters of Sonoma county to save the trees. It is the last opportunity—once they are cut they are gone forever—nothing can replace them. It is more important to Sonoma county than who is to be president; much more important than the wet and dry question. You must Vote For now or you will never again have a vote on this particular question. It is positively stated that the people must acquire these beautiful specimens of God's handiwork now or forever regret it. It is definitely known that the lumberman's axe will surely cut Col. Armstrong off right down close to the ground, and the Circle—family of fourteen wonderful giants—their heads will also fall, their bodies will be ripped and torn and slashed and sawn and jabbed and hacked.

**It cannot—must not be! Help!—You can help. Vote FOR  
---FOR---FOR---as many times as you are allowed---at the  
election NOVEMBER 7th! BE SURE YOU VOTE FOR!**

WHAT LUTHER BURBANK SAYS

Mr. Luther Burbank is strong for saving Armstrong Woods. He was at one time a trustee of the woods and a warm personal

friend of the late Colonel Armstrong. He said, "The people of Sonoma county should grasp the opportunity to save these magnificent Redwoods." He also says that the woods are, of course, more valuable for commercial purposes now, but the time will surely come when the people of Sonoma county will regret it if they let this chance go, and allow the last accessible Redwoods to be felled for their commercial profits.

**SEQUOIA SEMPERVIRENS**—Everlasting. Good  
Is thy claim and title, prince of the western wood.  
We in dead Caesar's deathless tongue with fitness call  
Thee "Evergreen," thou noblest Caesar of them all.  
You sprung from earth when earth was young and fair, and  
grew

Straight up to God. As nature's chosen heir you drew  
The best of earth within the virile life of thee—  
The clean, red shaft of thee,—O grand majestic tree!

You are of royal birth—a golden summer sky  
Beamed on the infant plant—a mighty sov'reign sea

Beat on an empire's shore a thunder lullaby.  
You were—and always will be—king; your diadem

Of leaves knew neither autumn fall, change nor decay  
In all the centuries that came and passed away,  
Recording unremembered cycles in your stem.

In you the flying ages signed your title—King.  
Hail Sempervirens—Evergreen, hail!

The ancient of days and lord of hill and dale,

Embodiment of Nature,—Long, Long Live the King.

—TOM GREGORY.



Picture No. 4

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# Through Sonoma County To Armstrong Woods

**I**T was one Friday morning early in the month of June that I made up my mind to take a little outing, and after discussing the contemplated week-end vacation with my wife and children, we decided on a trip through Marin and Sonoma counties. We were soon ready to go, and after driving the auto on to the 10:45 ferry boat, and being comfortably settled, the question of where to go arose.

Boyes, Felters and other resorts located in the Sonoma Valley were first mentioned, then some one suggested we should see the Petrified Forest, another thought as we had never been to the Geysers we should see them, and Skaggs' Springs, Pop. McCray's, Camp Meeker, Monte Rio, Cazadero, Jenner-by-the-Sea, and so it went until, fearing that we would not agree on any particular spot, I suggested that we would see them all.

Arriving in due time at Sausalito, we raced up the highway with many other week-end parties through San Rafael and into Petaluma, where we stopped for refreshments, and after lunching, we drove out into the country west of the town to see the wonderful chicken ranches that supply the people of the bay cities with nice fresh white eggs.

It was getting along in the afternoon before we arrived in Sonoma, after a very picturesque drive over the rolling country from Petaluma and we decided to spend Friday night in "The Valley of the Moon" and enjoy a plunge at one of the bathing places, which later we did, and we also enjoyed a ride under the entrancing influence of the moon before retiring.

When we arose in the morning we were greeted by a most beautiful sunrise, such wonderful colors and a scene never to be forgotten. Before leaving the valley I found it necessary to purchase some gasoline and oil and to inflate one of the rear tires, which was badly worn, and while I was doing this the rest of the folk went into one of the stores to make a few purchases of necessary articles which had been forgotten in the hasty start we had made from our home in the city.

It was noon Saturday when we arrived at Santa Rosa, and being quite famished we immediately looked for a place to eat. In the afternoon we motored out to the Petrified Forest, where we remained for nearly an hour admiring the fallen giants of the forest in their petrified state and getting souvenirs.

As we were crossing the bridge into Healdsburg our rear tire went flat and I found it so completely gone that I drove into a garage and purchased a new tire. We enjoyed luncheon at McCray's, a little above Cloverdale, and from there we went to the Geysers. They were new to us and we stayed there until quite late in the afternoon. On arriving in Cloverdale it was decided we would remain there until the morrow. We made a few purchases of things we might need on our way during Sunday and after a hearty repast retired. Sunday morning bright and early we lit out for Guerneville taking the road down the west side of Russian River passing through acres of scarred, burnt stumps. Vine-

yards, hop fields and other scenes attracted our attention. Arriving at our destination, we were invited to visit several places of interest, one especially the Armstrong Woods was selected. A few minutes' ride and we were in the midst of the towering giant Redwoods, some as large as silos. So beautiful and compelling the influence we remained for hours in the quiet and coolness. At last we were compelled by necessity to leave, which we did reluctantly. After leaving Guerneville we motored over hill and valley into Cazadero, where we spent the night.

On Monday morning at sunrise we started for San Francisco—down valleys, over mountains, around curves, across bridges, through Monte Rio, Camp Meeker, Occidental, down the valley, through forests of burnt and blackened stumps into Freestone, and out again into the dairy district, through Valley Ford, and thence down the Tomales Bay to San Francisco, arriving home Monday.

I, myself, my children, have decided that we will take the same trip next year, and of all we saw on this ramble we think most of and remember with reverence the beautiful forest, Armstrong Woods. May they always be preserved to the people is our wish. Thousands of families distribute their money over Sonoma county on just such vacation tours. That's a reason why you should Vote For the Armstrong Woods Proposition on November 7th, 1916.

H. W. SHAW.

You'll never miss the water till the well runs dry;  
You'll never miss your loved ones until they die;  
You'll never miss the cost of the Armstrong Wood—  
**VOTE FOR! it—it will do us all some good.**

To vote on this question, stamp a cross (X) in the voting square opposite  
**"FOR THE PURCHASE OF ARMSTRONG WOODS"**

FOR THE PURCHASE OF ARMSTRONG WOODS property, near Guerneville, in Sonoma County, as a public park, at a price not to exceed the sum of \$80,000	X
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**VOTE FOR**

DON'T ALLOW THE LAST TIMBER IN THIS RICH COUNTY TO BE FELLED BY THE WOODMAN'S AXE

**VOTE FOR**